

an estrogenic compound and a progestogenic compound derived from
19-nor-progesterone. --

--22. The method of claim 21 wherein the combination is
administered continuously -- 34

--23. The method of claim 21 wherein the combination is
administered intermittently. -- 34

--24. The method of claim 21 wherein the estrogen is free or
esterified estradiol or conjugated equine estrogens. -- 34

--25. The method of claim 21 wherein the estrogen is an ester
of estradiol. -- 34

--26. The method of claim 25 wherein the ester of estradiol
is estradiol valerate. -- 34

--27. The method of claim 21 wherein the estrogenic compound
of free or esterified estradiol or an conjugated equine estrogen is
administered at a dose ranging from 0.5 to 3 mg per unit dose. -- 34

--28. The method of claim 27 wherein the free estradiol is
administered at a dose of 1.5 mg pre unit dose. --

--29. The method of claim 27 wherein the ester of estradiol
is administered at a dose of 2 mg per unit dosage. --

--30. The method of claim 27 wherein the conjugated equine
estrogen is administered at a dose of 0.625 mg per unit dosage. --

--31. The method of claim 21 wherein the progestative is
norgestrel acetate. -- 34

--32. The method of claim 21 wherein the norgestrel acetate
is administered at a dose ranging from 1.5 to 3.75 mg per unit
dosage. -- 34